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Men's Soccer heads to
finals on Saturday to
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BGSU NEWS

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ELECTIONS 2000

Young voters hesitant to vote in election

Lack of interest in
issues leads to voter
apathy of U. stu-
dents

By Craig Gifford
CAMPUS EDITOR

Today brings about a chance that only comes once every four years - the chance to vote for President of the United States. However, many citizens around the country will not exercise their right to vote, especially college students.

According to a poll taken by The

Pew Research Center, 54 percent of people age 18-29 plan to vote in this year's Presidential election. This is the lowest of any age group that was surveyed.

That "voter apathy" can be seen here at the University.

"I never really took the time to get into the debates," said Chad Findley, sophomore actuary science major. "It would be a wasted vote because I wouldn't have anything to back it up."

Uninformed students are not the only ones not voting today; there are a number of other reasons students will abandon the polls.

According to Jeff Peake, associate professor of political science, one of the biggest reasons that college-level students do not vote is that the candidates do not deal with issues concerning them.

"The issues being discussed by the candidates don't really affect college students, so it doesn't energize them to vote," he said.

Scott Trepal, sophomore statistics major, agreed that college students seem to get overlooked by the candidates saying, "I really don't think either one cares about college students."

Even though college students don't seem to get recognition

from the candidates, it is still important for them to vote and let their voice be heard.

"It (voting) is the single most effective means of communication to a politician," said David Jackson, associate professor of political science. "If younger people voted, politicians would listen to them."

"When college students start to vote more then they do now, they might have more of an influence in politics," Peake said.

The hassle of finding a place to vote is another problem for col-

VOTING PATTERNS BY AGE

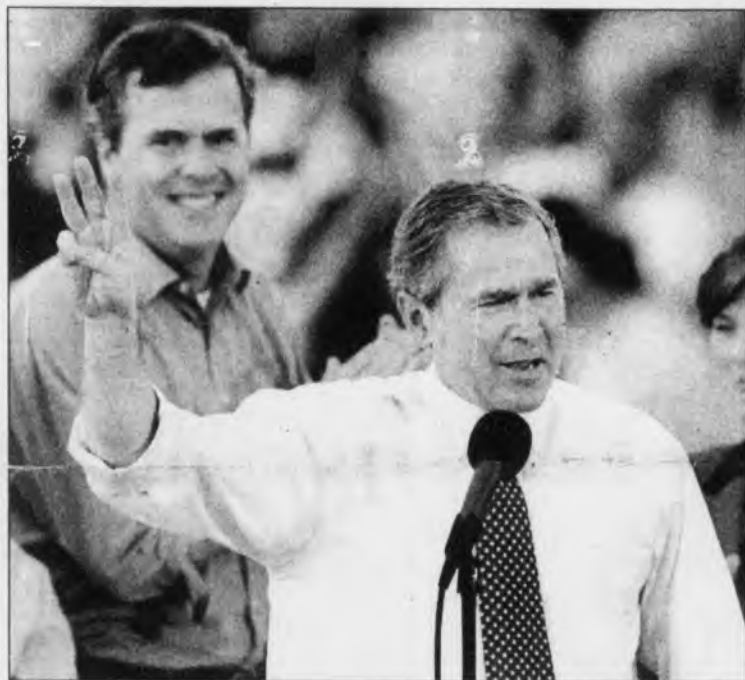
This information, from the Pew Research Center, shows the percentage of US citizens that are registered to vote and not registered to vote broken down by age group. The information shows the younger the voters, the less likely they are to vote.

Percentage Who...	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Are Registered	55%	73%	87%	88%
Are Not Registered				
Were in past	17%	17%	9%	7%
Never have been	27%	9%	3%	5%
Always Vote	24%	41%	58%	72%
Plan to Vote	54%	68%	80%	78%

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Source: Pew Research Center

Jeff Hindenach BGSU News



ELECTION 2000

CANDIDATES TURN IT ON FOR LAST DAY

By David Espo
AP POLITICAL WRITER

WASHINGTON — George W. Bush and Al Gore campaigned through the final hours of their run for the White House on Monday, seeking last-minute momentum in a costly and exhausting race to become the nation's 43rd president.

The Texas governor said he trusted that Americans had "heard our message" — compassionate conservatism and a less intrusive government. The vice president urged a Democratic vote to maintain the nation's economic prosperity.

Gore anticipated a long count on Election Night, and joked that his first meal as president-elect would probably be breakfast. "But I'm going to make it a Happy Meal from McDonald's,"

he told an Iowa audience.

In Florida, Bush was confident he would return Republicans to the presidency lost by his father in 1992. "We've laid the groundwork for victory," he said, "now it's up (to us) to get people to the polls."

Candidates for the 107th Congress went through their final paces, Republicans and Democrats focusing their energy and money on four or five dozen highly contested races likely to determine control of the House and the Senate.

The airwaves were a blizzard of campaign advertising, with an advantage to Bush. From the start of his run through mid-October, the Texas governor had spent \$138 million, including \$56 million on radio and TV ads, according to the Campaign

Study Group. Gore was at \$94 million overall, including \$41.5 million for broadcast ads.

The polls gave Bush a small edge in the popular vote, a position he gained after overtaking Gore in public opinion surveys during October. But the decisive Electoral College seemed less predictable. It takes 270 electoral votes, a majority, to win the White House. Key swing states included Florida (25 electoral votes); Pennsylvania (23); and Michigan (18); and an aggressive Bush campaign bid as well for Gore strongholds such as California (54) and Tennessee (11).

Some aides worried that Green Party candidate Ralph Nader would damage the vice president's chances of succeeding Bill Clinton by diluting the

Democratic vote in swing states like Oregon and Wisconsin. Under pressure from Democratic liberals to back off, Nader countered: "...The only wasted vote is for someone you don't believe in."

Gore expressed no concern, saying, "I think by tomorrow, particularly with the election this close, most people are going to want to participate in the main choice."

The candidates' itinerary and pace told the story on the final day of a long and costly campaign.

Gore embarked on a 30-hour nonstop journey beginning in Iowa, then heading to Missouri, Michigan and Florida before flying home early Tuesday morning to Nashville, Tenn.

"I think that what is involved in this race is whether or not we are going to have policies that keep our economic good times rolling and extend them to the people who've not yet shared in those good times," the vice president said in an early morning interview on NBC's "Today."

"I have a passion to do what's right for your family," he said later in Flint, Mich., touching on issues ranging from health care to campaign finance reform to targeted tax cuts.

Bush's schedule projected his confidence: from Gore's home state of Tennessee, he flew to Wisconsin, Iowa and Arkansas, four states that Clinton carried twice, before returning to his residence in Austin, Texas.

IFC hears nominations

By April Elliott
STAFF WRITER

The Interfraternity Council will be holding its biweekly general assembly meeting tonight to here nominations for next years executive board and cabinet positions.

Terms for these positions begin with the spring semester and run until the end of fall. The general assembly is made up of the current IFC executive board and cabinet, as well as the president from each chapter who is accompanied by two representatives.

These nominations come at a time when IFC has reconstructed its entire system of operations.

According to Joe Guyette, vice president for IFC, the board currently consists of eight executive seats and 11 cabinet positions. The reconstruction has reduced the number to five executive seats and nine cabinet positions.

"We basically restructured the responsibilities of each position," Guyette said, "and by doing this we lowered the number of positions and increased the responsibility. We hope that this will entice better leaders to run for positions."

The basic reason for the reconstruction stems from the lack of responsibility some positions had and that the size of the board was getting too big to manage. Currently all 11 cabinet positions have to report to the vice president, and it was getting to be too many people to watch over.

This reconstruction was presented at the last general assembly meeting and according to Guyette it was received favorably by all.

"IFC was just running inefficiently, and we want to make it more manageable," Guyette said.

Also changing is the number of representatives from each house that will attend the general assembly meetings. From now on only house presidents will be at the meeting, eliminating the representatives.

"This just makes everything more stream-lined and efficient," Guyette said.

According to Steve Swaggerty, current president of IFC, this reconstruction is hoping to make IFC better.

"The consensus in the fraternity community is that this new structure will allow us to better serve our Greek community within the BGSU campus and the

USG votes on issues

By April Elliott
STAFF WRITER

The Undergraduate Student Government got down to business last night, getting around to issues that directly affect the student body.

One of the first orders of business for the night was to swear in the new senator for the College Democrats. The College Democrats are one of eight campus organizations that received permanent seats on the senate.

Four seats still remain open,

these include the seat for District 1, Pre-Major Advising and two off-campus seats.

Perhaps one of the most promenade items brought up at the meeting has to deal with the budget and the money USG is spending.

According to Nick Gresko, treasurer of USG, an updated budget will be passed out at next weeks meeting and the audit that was performed went well.

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Fraternity pushes for awareness

By Becky Biggs
STAFF WRITER

Imagine being confined to a wheelchair for the rest of your days.

Imagine waking up one morning and no longer being able to see the color of the sky or hear your favorite CD.

Imagine having to play catch with a single hand.

Life as you know it would drastically change.

For most people this is rather difficult to fathom, but accord-

ing to the American Census bureau, for about one out of every five Americans this is reality. The associate class of Pi Kappa Phi will get the chance to experience the difficulties of a disability and to see what it is like to travel around campus in a wheelchair at their first annual Push-A-Thon.

Pi Kappa Phi will be hosting the 24 hour event beginning on Nov. 9 at 11 p.m. and ending the same time the next evening. Every hour approximately two

pledges will be pushing a couple of wheelchairs around campus, giving students a chance to ride in them. According to Kevin Yania, BG Push chairman, the push-a-thon will run campus-wide, beginning at the Education building and finishing downtown. During this 24-hour period, the fraternity hopes to raise about \$300 to \$500 to add to the \$1200 they have

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lege students, Jackson said. They need to make the choice of going home to vote or arranging to have an absentee ballot sent to them.

According to Sarah Hahner, sophomore nursing major, getting an absentee ballot was too much of a hassle for her. She said absentee ballots and how to go about getting them was not publicized.

"I was trying to get a hold of the Board of Elections in my home town and couldn't find their phone number," she said.

The desire to see results quickly is another reason that college students may not go the voting route to get things accomplished. This why many people of the age group use measures such as letter writing campaigns, Jackson said.

"College students have a desire to see instantaneous results," he said.

Whatever the reason is for voter apathy amongst college students, they are encouraged to get out and let their voices be heard.

"They are never really gonna have a say unless they vote," Peake said. "Candidates go to where the voters are."

**Don't Forget...
clean your room
for your
PARENTS!!!**

Fraternity pushes for disability awareness

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already collected from previous functions.

According to the Push America website, Push America is a service project that was founded in 1976 by Thomas Sayre, a leader of Pi Kappa Phi who had an interest in building play equipment for those with severe handicaps. In 1977, the name stood for Play Units for the Severely Handicapped, but in 1992 it became simply Push America to

focus on its national scope of projects and programs. The mission statement maintains that, due to the commitment of Pi Kappa Phi to brotherhood, they provide leadership opportunities and education to promote a greater understanding of people with developmental disabilities. All money collected at the event will go to the outreach program that donates money to programs that increase disability awareness and aiding those with disabilities. This is the first year the BGSU chapter

of Pi Kappa Phi has hosted this event, and they are hoping for a positive reaction.

Some of their other service projects include working at Push Camps, working Push days in the local communities, and working at places like the Sunshine Children's Home. The alumni of Pi Kappa Phi are even involved in their own project called ACCESSAbility to build accessible ramps for people that otherwise would be able to afford

them.

"This is a good cause because all of the money will go straight to Push America," said Chris Renner, one of the organizers of the event. He hopes people will come up and ask why the wheelchairs are being pushed around campus, and that the compassion of those questioning will be sparked when they find out what is going on. He also hopes to hand out pamphlets with information

regarding Push America

Students can donate to the cause by throwing spare change in the push bin, or bursaring what they wish to donate. They can also get involved in programs like these by volunteering at a local center for disabilities or being part of a buddy system for children with disabilities. For more information visit the Push America site at WWW.PushAmerica.com.

IFC reconstructs executive board

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Bowling Green community as a whole," Swaggerty said.

As for the nominations tomorrow night, IFC hopes the reconstruction will spur the interest of the Greek communities best and brightest to run.

In order to run for IFC president, one must have either been on their house executive board or served on the IFC board in the past. To run for other executive seats or to be the Chief Justice of the Judicial Board one must have done one of these four items.

They could have either served

as president of their house, served on their house executive board, been an IFC representative for their fraternity or have already served on IFC.

"We're looking for the best and brightest in the Greek community," Swaggerty said. "I believe that IFC is a great opportunity for per-

sonal and leadership development. And in return, we're looking for men who see the importance of a strong Greek community. Those are the people we want nominated."

A week from today, on Nov. 14, IFC will hold another general assembly meeting so that votes

on this weeks nominations can be cast.

"The future of our Greek community hinges on the strength of its leadership and their ability to form and progress towards a shared vision," Swaggerty said.

USG jumps into budget spending for year

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Gresko encouraged the senators to go out and talk to their constituents about what they would want money to be spent on.

"We have around \$29,000 left in the budget to spend this year," Gresko said. "Last year we had around \$10,000 or \$15,000."

"It seems that we're all scared to spend money. I can assure you right now as your treasure that the problems we had in the past, won't happen again. Go out and

ask your constituents what they want so we can spend this money on what the students want and/or need."

With all of this budget talk, the Finance Committee reported that an inflow of just over \$2,000 was added to USG's budget through Parking and Traffic.

The assembly then voted on the approval of several funds. Five hundred dollars was approved for the Academic Advising Network, \$50 was approved to be added to the Ohio Council Student Government Fund, \$780 was

added to Co-sponsorships, \$618.12 was added to the Discretionary Fund and \$50 was added to postage.

In new business, the general assembly tackled to bills that will go to the Student Welfare Committee for review. The first had to deal with construction of a sidewalk along Alumni Road. Secondly was a bill concerning evacuation points for students during fire drills once inclement weather hits.

At the meetings close, Gresko pointed out many of his fellow

USG members, recognizing them for their achievements that week. Gresko stressed his belief that while USG was handling its tasks and issues well, it was leaving out their members.

This meeting was a turning point for USG, they are starting to turn away from internal legislation and are dealing with items that concern the student body.

"Tonight we had a very strong meeting and tackled some very big issues," Rebecca Nieto, vice

president of USG, said. "Marcos [Popovich, USG president] and I are very proud of the way the organization is coming together."

"We're starting to progress towards truly improving student life here at the University, and that reflected in our legislation, programming and activism on campus."

USG holds its meetings every Monday night in Olscamp 213 at 7:30 p.m.



VOTE

**TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 7th
6:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
PEACE & PROSPERITY**



AL GORE
For President



THEODORE F. CELESTE
For United States Senate



MARCY KAPTUR
United States Congress (9th District)



DANNIE EDMON
For United States Congress (5th District)



DEAN R. CLARKE
For Ohio House of Representative



WILLIAM A. DAVIES
Wood County Commissioner



ALVIN L. PERKINS
Wood County Commissioner



JOHN HARTMAN
For Wood County Treasurer



SUE KINDER
Wood County Recorder



TIM BLACK
For Justice of Ohio Supreme Court

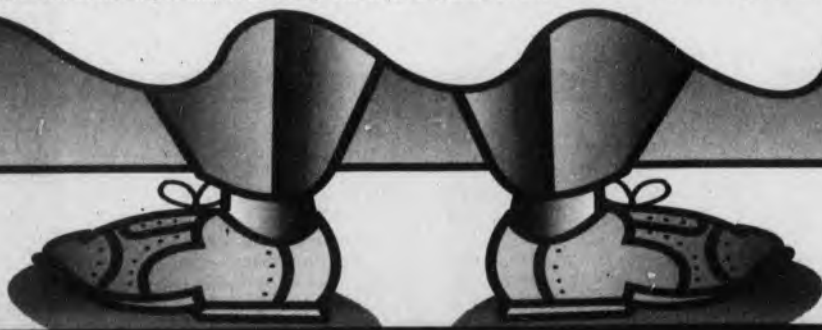


ALICE ROBIE RESNICK
Justice of Ohio Supreme Court



PHILIP L. DOMBEY
For Wood County Common Pleas Judge

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ROCK THE VOTE?:

You know how MTV always hypes itself because of its Rock the Vote campaign?

If it does such a great job, why are the Rock the Vote segments half a year old? And why are they shown in the wee hours of the morning?

Abundant with boss politics...

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Vote Cthulhu!



J. MICHAEL BESTUL
Under the Hat

I am sorry. I apologize profusely before I begin.

I cannot express how sorry I am.

Sorry. Sorry. Sorry. Sorry. My apologetic nature comes from what I am about to subject you to.

I am about to make an 11th-hour plea for you to vote for a certain presidential candidate.

WAIT! No! Don't leave! This one's not like the others, I swear! Just stay with me. You'll be brainwashed—er, convinced by the time you get to the end. I promise.

Today, all of you will move like a great gelatinous mass towards the polls. You will stand in an enclosed rectangle and pull a lever, much like what you do when you defecate.

The main difference here is that the lever in the bathroom is intended to dispose of excrement, whereas your lever-pulling will place waste into the Oval Office.

Not your lever-pulling, ma'am. The collective lever-pulling of this nation is going to bring about one of two choices, neither of which the majority of this nation desires or supports.

But the general populace can do something to prevent this unpleasant outcome. No, I don't mean voting for a third party candidate who more closely fits your beliefs and ideals. Everybody knows that American politics doesn't allow such an honest and truthful vote. It would just be "throwing your vote away."

What can be done?

A simple write-in vote. A vote for Cthulhu for president. I am guessing (from your blank stare) that you have not heard of my pal Cthulhu. He, or more appropriately, "it," is running under the flag of the Elder Party. No, you probably haven't heard of such a party, but that's probably good. Their platforms would drive you insane. Literally.

Who is Cthulhu? For the answer to that, I turn to dead political correspondent, Howard Phillips Lovecraft.

"If I say that my somewhat extravagant imagination yielded simultaneous pictures of an octopus, a dragon, and a human caricature, I shall not be unfaithful to the spirit of the thing. A pulpy, tentacled head surmounted a

grotesque and scaly body with rudimentary wings; but it was the general outline of the whole which made it most shockingly frightful."

According to Mr. Lovecraft, Cthulhu is about the size of a mountain. When the stars are right, Cthulhu will return to life and destroy all of humanity.

Yes, many of you may suddenly be confused. Think of it this way: why vote for the lesser of two evils? Go for that which is the epitome of evil: Cthulhu.

Why keep a system going that will inevitably slowly rot itself from the inside out? You know that you're not going to lift a finger to change it, so let's get it over with as soon as possible.

Not only will your vote shuffle this sorry excuse for a political system of the mortal coil, but there's another fringe benefit for voting Cthulhu. As the great old one destroys humanity, you and your family will be the last to be eaten.

Compare Cthulhu's stance on the important political topics this year:

Prescription drugs for the elderly: Gore and Bush would bend over backwards (in their own, very distinct way) to lower drug costs. Cthulhu would use them as appetizers.

Social Security: Bush would allow you to invest your non-existent Social Security money. Gore will sigh and shake his head. Cthulhu will destroy all government institutions.

Bi-Partisan Congress: In all honesty, neither candidate will stop partisan bickering. Cthulhu will eat Congress.

Foreign Relations: Bush and Mexico, Gore and China. Cthulhu will just eat any who oppose him.

Campaign Finance: Bush has railed against Gore's large fundraising. Gore will sponsor the McCain-Feingold bill. Cthulhu cares not for your money, but wouldn't mind your first-born.

There are many planks that Cthulhu builds the Elder Party platform from, but you can rest assured that they mostly involve eating or destroying the problem at hand.

Now get out there and bring about the end of humanity, for the good of all humanity. It is your duty as an American citizen.



GEORGE W. BUSH

Possible last minute election tactics?

How about elaborating on his prolific career by stating that "We want more texacutions!!"

That or he could just pass a few lines around, it could be influential...

Who knows?

AL "I EXAGGERATE FOR YOU" GORE

"Tarnation! Them damn Greens are stealin' our votes!"

Will the jackass... er... Democratic party prevail in this election or will that wiley Nader knock out their thunder?

Stay tuned tomorrow, same bat time, same bat channel.



RALPH NADER

"Why do I always look like I'm on the verge of tears?"

I'd do a really good job running your country, I promise!

Really! I'd work just for you...

Vote for me? Please? I'd be your best friend!!

Oh, c'mon guys let me play!"

COMPLETELY RANDOM FACTS:

- * If we put all the termites in the world on a scale and all the people in the world on a scale, the termites would outweigh us 3-1.
- * An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.
- * Athletism is a non-prophet organization

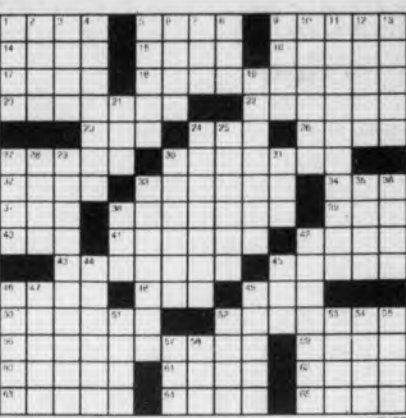
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A FURRY FUN FILLED FACT...

A CAT HAS 32 MUSCLES IN EACH EAR!!!

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 - Scotia
 - Estate measures
 - Vener's skipper
 - Oklahoma city
 - Actress Bara
 - Galena and cuprie
 - Petty tyrant
 - Groom's attendant
 - Never celebrated
 - Squimpy catch
 - Part of MD
 - Besides
 - Break open
 - RSA president (1994-99)
 - Love god
 - Sang merrily
 - Spigot
 - In the past
 - Annoys
 - Bulking cheer
 - Ump's kin
 - Horse operas
 - Ship's staff
 - Female deity
 - Tricks
 - Football great
 - Tarkenton
 - Anger
 - Flight from the law
 - World Series perfect-game pitcher
 - Japanese warrior
 - Comprehend
 - Den
 - Borscht
 - vegetables
 - Wicked
 - Bring to ruin
 - Feel
 - Scuff
 - Ole's partner



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PROBLEMS?

About to trade in your first-born for the answer to 26 Across? Fear not, faithful reader. We have the answers, and are quite willing to part with them. All you need to do is check the answer key, temporarily located on this very page.

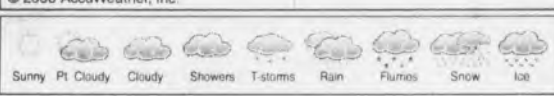
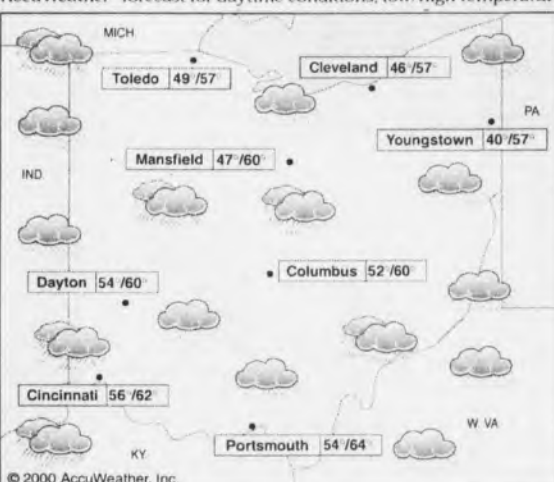
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 - Son of Judah
 - Pooh-bah
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 - Bus letter
 - Swindle
 - Standard clocks
 - Idyllic gardens
 - Casual military address
 - Guidance devices
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 - Vallarta
 - populace
 - Goes in
 - Wall Street pessimist
 - Impol
 - Household plot
 - Rogers or Roberts?
 - Asner or Ames
 - Introductions
 - Away from the wind
 - Sunday seats

- Whale school
- Type of cloud
- Beginnings
- Battering device
- Bungles
- Indian princess
- Dipper
- Scottish Gaelic
- Cut with shears
- Talk wildly
- Verdi opera
- Golf club
- Sawbuck
- Gardner of film

OHIO WEATHER

Tuesday, November 7

AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions, low/high temperatures



THREE-DAY FORECAST

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Haze	Rain	Showers
High: 59° Low: 45°	High: 61° Low: 43°	High: 50° Low: 37°

ANSWERS

Due to the idiosyncracies of technology, the answers are here...

Again.



TV GUIDE SECTION

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 7, 2000												
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST STATIONS												
11	News	CBS Evening News	Election Returns Election results from key races around the country. (In Stereo Live)						Election Returns (Left in Progress) (In Stereo Live)	News	Election Returns	
13	News	ABC World News Tonight	Election Returns Election results from key races around the country. (In Stereo Live)						Election Returns (In Stereo Live)	News	Election Returns	
24	News	NBC Nightly News	Election Returns Election results from key races around the country. (In Stereo Live)						Election Returns (In Stereo Live)	News	Election Returns	
27	Healthweek (In Stereo)	Business Rpt.	Newshour With Jim Lehrer			Nova "Super Bridge" How a bridge across the Mississippi River brings economic hope to a Missouri town. (In Stereo)			Election Returns Election results from key races around the country. (Live)			
30	BBC World News	Newshour With Jim Lehrer		Business Rpt.	Nova "Super Bridge" How a bridge across the Mississippi River brings economic hope to a Missouri town. (In Stereo)			Newshour With Jim Lehrer		Charlie Rose (In Stereo)		
36	Simpsons (In Stereo)	Seinfeld "Yada Yada" (In Stereo)	Spin City (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Election Returns Election results from key races. (In Stereo Live)			News	Real TV (N) (In Stereo)	Mad About You (In Stereo)	Street Smarts	
50	Simpsons (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Spin City (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Movie: *** "Bad Boys" (1995, Drama) Martin Lawrence. Two Miami cops attempt to recover stolen police evidence. (In Stereo)			News	Sports-Detroit		Spin City "Deal Man Walking"	Frasier Martin's Russian clock
CABLE STATIONS												
AMC	D.C. Follies The portrayal of politics in movies		Three Stooges		Movie: **** "The Conversation" (1974, Drama) Gene Hackman, John Cazale. A wiretapper is ensnared in a complex murder plot.			Movie: *** "Johnny Guitar" (1954, Western) Joan Crawford. A woman rallies townfolk against a female saloonkeeper.				
COM	Saturday Night Live Gwyneth Paltrow, Barenaked Ladies		Daily Show		Win Ben Stein's Money		Movie: *½ "Half Baked" (1998, Comedy) Dave Chappelle, Jim Breuer. New York potheads attempt to get their friend out of jail.			Daily Show Election night happenings. (Live)		
DISC	Wild Discovery "The Tiger's Tale"		Wild Discovery "Wild Asia" "Temperate Forests" (N)		On the Inside "Inside Air Force One"		New Detectives "In the Line of Fire" (N)		FBI Files "Crime Spree"			Justice Files "Double Lives"
ESPN	Sportscenter		Billiards: Trick Shot Magic, Chicago.		PBA Bowling: Brunswick World Tournament of Champions. Lake Zurich, Ill. (Live)			Timber Series	Dick Vitale's Slam Bam Jam College Basketball Preview (N)		Sportscenter	
HBO	(5:30) Movie: *** "Strictly Ballroom" (1992) Paul Mercurio.		Movie: ** "Jack Frost" (1998, Fantasy) Michael Keaton. A deceased dad returns to life as a fun-loving snowman. "PG"			Movie: *½ "Three to Tango" (1999) An architect pretends to be gay to win a contract. "PG-13"		Men of Honor: First Look		Curb Your Enthusiasm	G-String Divas Good Men	
HIST	In Search Of		History's Lost & Found		History IQ		Battle History of the Navy: Fire and Water (N)		Jet Engines How jet propulsion transformed the world.		Tales of the Gun "Rockets and Missiles" (N)	
FSQ	Football Today		Last Word (N)		Ohio Sports Tonight		Hardcore Football (N)		National Sports Report		Regional Sports Report	
SCI FI	Sliders "This Side of Paradise" (In Stereo)		Babylon 5 "Soul Mates" (In Stereo)		Viper "Once a Thief..." (In Stereo)		Movie: ** "Journey to the Center of the Earth" (1999) Treat Williams. Based on Jules Verne's tale of a trip to the Earth's core.			Crossing Over (In Stereo)		
TLC	Secret World of Supermodels		Man vs. Microbes Mankind's struggle with invisible microbes.		Trauma: Life in the ER "A Fist Full of Trauma" (N)		Science of Sex: The Mating Game		Human Sexes The differences between the sexes.		Trauma: Life in the ER "A Fist Full of Trauma"	
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NEW YORK (AP) — More than two dozen people were injured Monday when a driver experiencing chest pains plowed his car into the group at a bus stop, authorities said. "They were all gathered in a line waiting around for the bus, and the car mounted the sidewalk and apparently hit them like bowling pins," said Queens District Attorney Richard Brown.

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Caring is the true challenge

Tomorrow will be the last day.

Since the beginning of this year, the American public has opened the morning paper or the weekly magazine and found some mention of the presidential race.

Closer to home, BGSU students have glanced upon such articles or opinions in the newspapers found at the residence halls, including this publication. Tomorrow, Wednesday, Nov. 8, will be the last day you will hear about the campaigns. After that,

it is only about the president and the guy who almost made it.

And many of us are sick of it. We have been inundated with everything presidential and we do not want to hear any more of it. We know every intimate detail that we never wanted to know about the candidates and their campaigns. The only thing we don't know is why we should choose either of the major candidates.

It is easy to be cynical. Many of us will blame the media. They

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offer up far too much information for the average voter to sift through; yet, if the media does any amount of sifting, it is considered being biased and having an agenda. Most media outlets will do both.

It is easy to be cynical. But how often does our nation change its

commander-in-chief? Like the date of Feb. 29, once in every four years. In that fourth year, the public face of the United States of America has the ability to change. The president is not only a face to the American public, but he is also the representation of America to every other nation upon this planet. You can see why the media might be overzealous. Better to err on the side of caution.

It is easy to be cynical, to say, "they're all corrupt, the president and all the people he brings with

him." It is easy to sit back and look at our government and joke about it. It is easy to be disenfranchised and jaded, to answer every question with "Why" or "What does it matter?"

It is easy to be cynical. The challenge lies in actually caring. Everybody can decline to vote. Some will take responsibility and vote. Few will take the responsibility of improving our country during the three years outside of this election.

Aristotle once wrote that before a human can enjoy life, they have to work to improve the society around them. Nobody wants a bad community. But that is offset when nobody wants to improve the community and country in which they live.

Today, it is your duty as a citizen to research the candidates and vote.

But that doesn't mean you should forget the duty to your society tomorrow and all the days following it.

School reform comes first

Today most of us will be faced with a tough decision — who should we elect president? For some the question is easy to answer, for the rest of us, it is not. The information is readily available for all to find — in newspapers, the Internet, and just talking with friends. My decision was made when I heard the educational platform of Al Gore.

As a Middle Childhood Education major, this platform is very important to me. The education platform should be important to all people — not just educators.

Here is an overview of Gore's educational platform — Gore is interested in more public charter schools. He wants to hire 100,000 quality teachers in order to reduce class size and disciplinary problems. Gore wants to raise the standards for schools, teachers and students, as well as hold them accountable for their success and failure. Gore stated, "I want to reward teachers like the professionals they are!"

Gore has a five-point plan to ensure that the schools are doing their job to educate students of all backgrounds. The five points include:

— He wants to turn around every failing school in America. Here, each state has to report failing schools. The state and school district will work with the failing schools to turn them around, holding them up to strict accountability for reform. Gore will dedicate \$500 million for an Accountability Fund for these schools. Also, each school that is being helped will be provided with after school help for each

MICHAEL SEDLACK

Guest columnist

student.

— He wants to expand public school choice and charter schools. When Clinton/Gore took office there was one charter school in the country. The number has jumped to 1,700. Gore wants to triple that number of high quality, publicly accountable charter schools. He wants to give families a quality choice for their public education.

— He wants to make sure students graduate with the skills they need to succeed. Gore is looking to use national mobilization of schools systems, business, foundations, parents and teachers.

This will guarantee the students are ready for college or the workforce after graduating from high school. All states that participate in this program will have more rigorous courses, help for disadvantaged students and AP classes available.

Gore also promotes exit exams to ensure that no student graduates that cannot read. In this plan, Gore will hold school systems accountable for minimizing the number of dropouts.

— He wants to insist on consequences for failure and rewarding success. Gore plans on closing the achievement gap from disadvantaged students and their peers. He would hold the school systems accountable for the students' achievement by providing bonuses to the states that show a substantial amount of progress.

This would not only apply to the schools that heighten student achievement, but also that help close the achievement gap. Bonuses will be given to the educators in high-performing schools that are actively closing the achievement gap.

— He wants to enforce strict discipline while serving troubled students. Gore wants to provide "second chance schools." These schools will provide rigorous aid and services for students that have been expelled or headed for trouble. Gore wants to offer grants to school districts that implement the zero-tolerance policies for guns, and enforce fair and firm discipline policies.

I agreed with Gore when he said, "I want to make education our No. 1 priority." It should be. Expanding the Head Start program and making preschools available to all children and families is a way to prime children for their future.

Gore is prepared to dedicate the time and money it takes to prepare and educate the future of this country. I believe in and support Gore on his campaign to improve the education of America's youth. Al Gore declared, "I want to make all schools world class schools."

I believe if it is going to be done, he is the man to do it. It would behoove all voters to vote for Gore if they care, even a slight amount, about the education of our future leaders — the children of today.

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PEOPLE ON THE STREET

Will you be glad when the election is over?



JEFF PREECE
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"Yes, because we'll finally have an end to the mass media chaos."



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"Yes, because they're taking over MTV and BET."



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"Not really. I feel the issues for African Americans just linger on."



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"No, because Nader is a hotty, and I'll miss seeing him on TV."

Santa disguises real motives with jolly disposition

AT ISSUE What can the plastic lawn Santa really represent, especially when it's only November?

As we are all aware, it is Nov. 7, Election Day. Therefore, I would like to talk about Christmas.

This year, as in past years, Christmas will be held on Dec. 25 — exactly 48 days away.

Nevertheless, I've noticed that certain holiday zealots have already pulled out the plastic Santas and set them, grinning maniacally, on their front lawns.

Putting a plastic Santa on your lawn and stringing lights in the wee days of November suggests an arbitrary attitude towards Christmas. Why don't people decorate their homes in July? Could we avoid the holiday rush, send out our cards and play our carols in the thick of summer?

Mightn't it blur the deep holiday meaning? What does a plastic Santa mean?

In December, it means that you expect heaping big dividends at the end of the month, delivered by a jolly fat guy with an unusually giving spirit. On Nov. 7, it signifies that you have a plastic Santa grinning maniacally on your lawn.

Perhaps there's a religion that revolves around the plastic Santa. Perhaps there are sacrificial offerings necessary for its appeasement. For example, I would like to see a plastic Santa standing on a front lawn with cut up credit cards scattered at its black plastic boots, alternated with unpaid bills. Next to this, a single candle could burn, signifying the end of the family's relationship with the America Express Card company. If I saw something like this, I would be moved to leave a quarter at the Santa's feet, and shed a tear or two.

Instead, the actual lawn shrines are bewildering. The whole lot — elves, reindeer, and snowmen — seems rather suspect. Who IS this "Santa?"

Someone once said that Santa is the benign face of communism, come to instill his theories for societal reform into the



MICHELLE REITER
Asst. Opinion Editor

nation's youth. As an ostensibly selfless, fatherly type who delivers goods to children based solely on their conformity to a strict moral code, it's believable. As a plastic effigy lurking menacingly on lawns across America in the most un-Christmas-like month of November, it's the only answer left.

Plastic Santa the Red is obviously threatening what is left of America's freedom.

If you are skeptical of Santa's dark character, I refer you to "Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer," a charming tale narrated by Burl Ives. Its depiction of Santa shows a cranky, ruthless dictator who won't eat his dinner. Furthermore, his elves are really slaves of Charles Dickens-style workhouses where foremen expect mindless efficiency from its unpaid help. Toys that come out "odd" are forced into miserable exile by this same jolly fellow. All of this is cloaked in a feel-good Christmas special where Rudolf wins the admiration of all — but the ugly truth of Santa is all too plain.

So while I think everyone should place plastic Santas on their lawns if they want, I urge you to think very deeply about what it all means — especially as it is Nov. 7. Santa's character is suspect enough, so we won't even get into Frosty the Snowman's shifty motives here, but suffice it to say they are under investigation.

Please, decorate your lawns gingerly this year, and remember the true meaning behind the season — insidious plots of governmental coercion.

And don't forget to vote.

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Deal lessens contract

By Jim Suhr
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

DETROIT — Continental Airlines and Northwest Airlines have reached a tentative deal in which Northwest will sharply reduce its controlling stake in Continental in an effort to settle a federal antitrust lawsuit.

The two airlines said Monday they planned to ask U.S. District Judge Denise Page Hood to delay an antitrust trial for a week to let the companies reach definitive agreements.

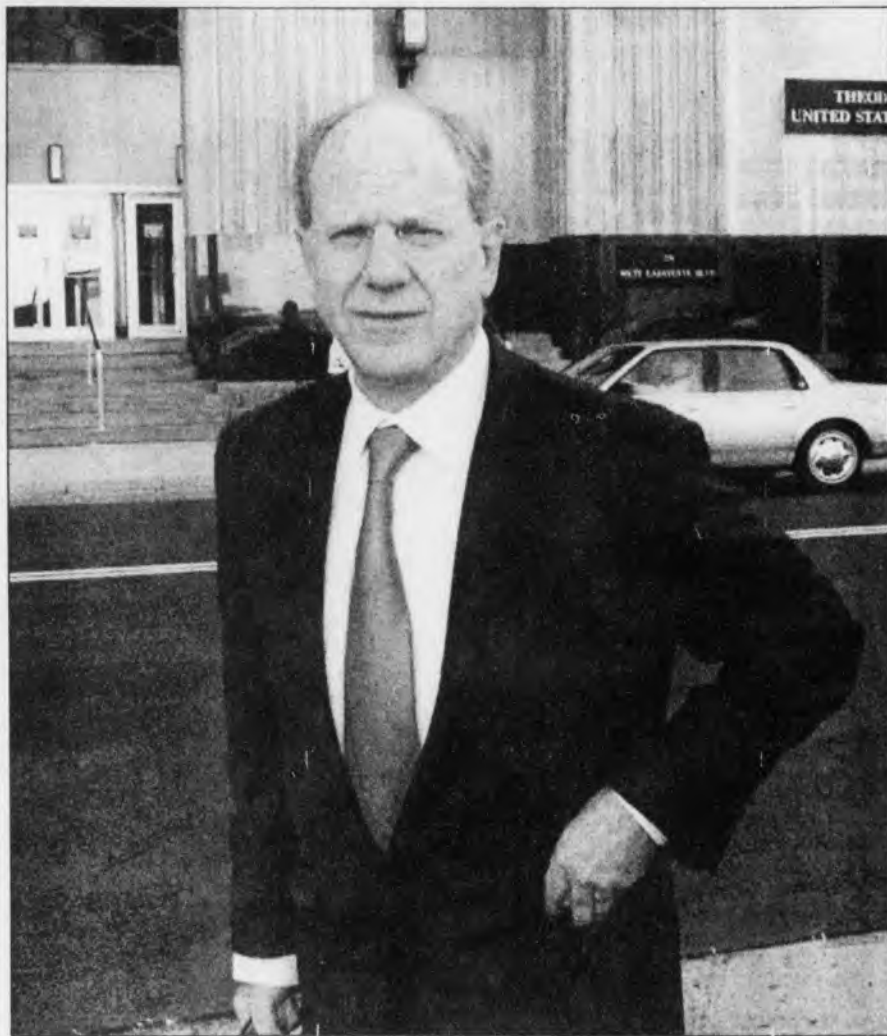
The Justice Department has been pressing Northwest to give up its 55 percent voting stake in Continental, arguing that Northwest's holding could squeeze consumers, worsen service and stifle competition. However, its shares represent only 14.8 percent of Continental's equity.

Under the proposal, Northwest will exchange its Class A Continental shares, carrying 10 votes each, for \$450 million in cash and a lesser number of Continental B shares that carry one vote per share.

Northwest also would get preferred stock that would give it the right to veto a proposed combination between Continental and other carriers under some conditions.

The transaction would depend on the withdrawal of the government's antitrust lawsuit against both companies over Northwest's 1998 purchase of the controlling stake in Houston-based Continental.

The antitrust trial got under way last week. Acting U.S. Attorney General A. Douglas Melamed, who heads the Justice Department's antitrust unit, said the government would join the airlines in asking Hood to defer the trial's resumption until Nov. 14.



CONTINENTAL: Northwest airlines attorney Donald Flexner walks out of federal court during a break in Detroit, Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2000.

Associated Press Photo

Author gets children interested

By Wilson Ring
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

MONTPELIER, Vt. — Daisy Turner, middle daughter in a family of 13 children of former slaves, was 8 years old in 1891 when her teacher gave her a black doll.

Along with the doll came a request that, for an end-of-the-year Grafton village gathering, she and her classmates read poems about the countries of the world.

The best speaker would get a prize.

But Daisy was miffed. Her classmates all had white dolls, and her dolls at home had white faces, too. On top of that, she was to go last.

When Daisy's turn to recite finally came, she forgot the poem she'd been given and spoke from the heart:

"You needn't crowd my dollie out,

"Although she's black as night.

"And if she is at the end of the show,

"I think she'll stand as good a chance

"As the dollies that are white."

Daisy won the contest.

Now everyone can read Daisy's story in a new children's book published by the Vermont Folklife Center.

Many times in the years before her death in 1988 at age 104, Daisy told the story of the doll and the poem to Folklife Center Executive Director Jane Beck.

"Over the period of 10 years it was almost word for word the same," Beck said of Daisy's story. "It was like a polished artifact."

"Daisy and the Doll" was one of the first two books published by the Folklife Center for its Family Heritage Series.

Beck conceived of the series after watching the center's archived collection of stories grow. She saw it as a way to get children actively involved in their family's histories.

"My feeling always has been, here we are out talking with people and collecting marvelous family stories," Beck

said. "This is something I felt kids would enjoy. Five- and 6-year-olds don't come into the Folk Life Center and use the archives."

And the books get children interested in the stories their grandparents tell.

"The books, I think, inspire the possibility of a bonding experience between older relatives and children," says series editor William Jaspersohn. "You don't have to go to Disney World to bond with your kids. You can do this over a family photo album."

Along with "Daisy and the Doll," the Folklife Center in September published "The Two Brothers," the story of German brothers who immigrated separately to America and unknowingly ended up working on adjacent Vermont farms. They met several years later when they were sent out to fix fence together.

"It's very simple, yet it's very powerful," said Jaspersohn, who researched and wrote "The Two Brothers." "What I love about this is that you couldn't make a story like that up."

The Folklife Center was founded in 1984 to preserve the folk arts and cultural traditions of Vermont and the surrounding states. It uses exhibits and educational projects to keep the past and its traditions alive and has more than 3,000 taped interviews in its archives.

Beck started the Family Heritage Series with \$150,000 from the Christian A. Johnson Endeavor Foundation of New York, which makes grants primarily to educational projects.

Beck plans to publish two books each year. Initially, they will be based on Vermont stories, but she and Jaspersohn hope eventually to use stories collected from other regions.

"I think the series she has designed is very exciting and very innovative and it's something we'd be happy to participate in," said Charlie Seemann, executive director of the Western Folklife Center in Elko, Nev., which focuses on stories about western ranching life.

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Queen Mother breaks her collarbone

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WORLD

Baby dies for twin

By Sue Leeman
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

LONDON — Surgeons began to separate conjoined twin girls Monday in a long and complex procedure that they said would kill one baby to give her sister a chance of a normal life. The operation followed months of legal wrangling over whether the parents could refuse surgery and let nature take its course.

St. Mary's Hospital in Manchester confirmed early Monday that the operation had begun and was expected to take up to 15 hours. Some 20 staff members were involved, the hospital said in a statement.

The girls, identified publicly only as "Mary" and "Jodie," were born at the hospital on Aug. 8 joined at the lower abdomen. Doctors said surgery could allow Jodie to have a normal life, but that Mary cannot survive once she is separated from Jodie's aorta.

If not separated, doctors said,

both girls would die within months.

The twins' parents — identified only as Roman Catholics from the Maltese island of Gozo in the Mediterranean — opposed the operation for religious reasons but decided not to contest a Sept. 22 decision by the Court of Appeal that the girls can be separated.

The court had struggled with the issue of whether the surgery would amount to intentionally killing Mary, whose heart and lungs cannot sustain life. Two medical specialists appointed by the court endorsed surgery.

"The sad fact is that Mary lives on borrowed time, all of it borrowed from her sister," Lord Justice Alan Ward said in the Court of Appeal ruling. "She is incapable of independent existence. She is designated for death."

Pannone and Partners, the law firm representing the parents, said Monday they would not be issuing a statement.

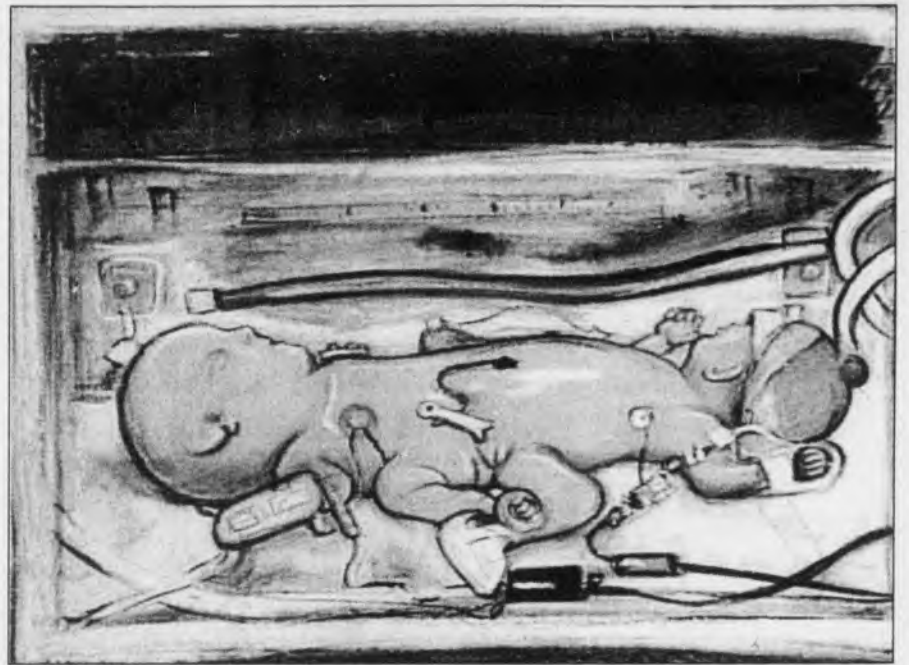
The official solicitor's office, which represents children's interests in court, had provided legal representation for both children.

On Friday, judges rejected a last-minute appeal by the Pro-Life Alliance, an anti-abortion group that wanted the case to be decided in the House of Lords.

The Times of London reported that the Maltese Pediatric Association had urged British doctors to delay the operation, saying it violated common practice that parents of severely disabled babies were given the final say over treatment.

"In this case the parents have clearly expressed the wish that nature be left to take its course," it was quoted as saying.

There has been no suggestion the parents wish to take the twins back to Gozo, a 26-square-mile island with a population of 5,000, and the court has not issued any order requiring the children to remain in Britain.



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DRAWING: An artist's impression of Siamese identified publicly only as Mary, left, and Jodie are seen in this file photo. Surgeons began to separate the conjoined twin girls Monday in a long and complex procedure that they said would kill one baby to give her sister a chance of a normal life.



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CLEVELAND — Toledo running back Chester Taylor, Miami linebacker Terrell Jones and Marshall punt returner Maurice Hines, have been selected as the Mid-American Conference's players of the week.

Taylor, a senior from River Rouge, Mich., rushed for a career-high 230 yards and two touchdowns on 30 carries in a 38-24 win at Northern Illinois. His second score was a 73-yarder, the longest run of his career, that gave Toledo a 28-24 lead just before halftime.

Jones, a freshman from St. Louis, had a career-high 23 tackles in Miami's 27-24 win over Ohio, including two sacks and a forced fumble. The forced fumble came in the final seconds when Ohio was trying to move into field goal range and force a tie.

Hines, a senior from East Point, Ga., had a 60-yard punt return for a touchdown with 2:45 left to give Marshall a 20-13 win at Bowling Green.

Final home match awaits BG spikers

By Nick Hurm
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Seniors Krista Davis and JoAnna Papageorgiou know that their last regular season home match awaits tonight against Oakland. While both admit they are sad to see this day come, the Bowling Green volleyball captains' faces capture their excitement and anticipation.

Tournament time is just weeks away. The goal that the duo have spent their entire BG career working for is also just weeks away. That is a MAC championship, something the two captains believe in their hearts the Falcons can accomplish.

"I believe in this team," Papageorgiou said. "We are championship material. I want to go out with a bang. If we focus on each game, we can reach that final goal."

As a fifth-year senior, Davis has spent plenty of time in the confines of, and on the volleyball court of, Anderson Arena. Davis has witnessed her moments of ups and downs with the team and awaits to see how the rest of the season will play out. Like Papageorgiou, she has great expectations about the rest of the year.

"It seems like I came here yesterday," Davis said. "At the same time it feels like I have been here a long time. It feels like my home. This is a little sad, but I'm looking forward to the rest of the season."

After 18 years of coaching, BG coach Denise Van De Walle has become accustomed to watching her players grow and graduate. It's never easy for her, though.

"It's hard to watch a player leave the program," Van De Walle said. "It's never easy for me. It's hard to let go of players that have been in your program for so long."

Tonight's battle against Oakland has little significance as far as the conference race goes. BG will still be a game and a half behind Ohio whether the Falcons win or lose, not to say the match is not important to the Falcons.

BG (16-8, 9-6) can equal its team record in wins from last sea-

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Nick Hurm BG News

ABOVE THE NET: Sophomore Kristin Gamby (below) and senior Krista Davis jump high to block an opponent's attempt.



NFL: LIONS HEAD COACH BOBBY ROSS RESIGNED MONDAY AFTER LOSS

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BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

Title game next for Falcons

Braxton scores lone goal in 1-0 victory over Buffalo; Kentucky awaits

By Derek McCord
STAFF WRITER

The Bowling Green men's soccer team kept their sights on track for a NCAA Tournament bid as they will play their sixth Mid-American Conference Tournament final on Sunday in BG.

Senior forward Gene Braxton gave the Falcons a 1-0 victory when he scored the match-winning goal 2:46 into the semi-final. Adam Erhard sent a corner kick into the Buffalo penalty box where Fred Degand headed the ball to Braxton who did the same to beat Bull goalkeeper Brian Wozinak. The goal was Braxton's third of the season and second against Buffalo.

With more than 87 minutes left to play in the game, freshman goalkeeper Dave DeGraff made three saves for his fifth shutout on the season.

"They (Buffalo) were a 100 percent better team from when we played them earlier," said BG coach Mel Mahler. "I think it was due to the fact that it was playing at home for them and the energy of their victory over Akron carried over they also play a lot more technical game than before."

The Falcons out shot Buffalo 14-8 and had the advantage on corner kicks 10-4. The semi-final was a rematch of the Oct. 27 meeting between the two squads when the Falcons beat the Bulls 3-0 at Mickey Cochrane Field. In that match senior Matt Lyons scored once and assisting on two others.

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MEL MAHLER, HEAD COACH

The Falcons will now have a return match against Kentucky, a team they lost 2-1 on Oct. 20 in overtime.

"It will give us an opportunity to play them again this year after losing to them," Mahler said. "Our programs have crossed paths a lot especially in the MAC Tournament. It was fortunate to be on the winning side on most of those matches, but that is in the past because they are a different team."

The outcome of the match will give the champion a bid to the NCAA Tournament.

"We are very excited to play the MAC title match at home with an opportunity to go to the NCAA Tournament," Mahler stated. "That is what we play, train and work out for, every program does this to have the opportunity to win championships and a trip to the NCAA."



Michael Lehmkuhle BG News

FOOT IN: Senior Adam Erhard is about to send the ball downfield in a match earlier this season.

Football troubles continue, defense ranked nationally

By Pete Stella
SPORTS EDITOR

"It has probably been the most frustrating season that I've ever spent in football," said BG coach Gary Blackney. "To be in a position for every one of those divisional games, a position to win them, and to lose them all has been really, really tormenting for me."

With the offense ranked last in total offensive production in the Mid-American Conference and having given up a conference high 44 sacks this season, it is easy to see why Blackney is frustrated.

A 2-7 overall record and 1-4 conference mark show obvious signs that the Brown and Orange are still struggling.

"We haven't been very productive offensively, that's a no brainer. All you got to do is look at the stats," Blackney said. "And yet the defense, and for the most part our special teams, have given us great field position. We just haven't had the knockout power. We haven't had the big play potential."

Marshall Notes

BG held a 13-3 advantage over the Marshall Thundering Herd and ended up losing 20-13 after a Herd scoring explosion in the fourth quarter.

Blackney said Saturday he wanted to put the game in the hands of his defense, which was playing very well.

"We're going to try and win it with our defense...if we can't get first downs, let's punt it and play defense and win with defense. And the rest is history," he said.

The Falcon defense currently ranks 18th in the nation in rush-



Nick Hurm BG News

SPEAK SOFTLY, AND...: The Falcon defense, ranked 18th in the nation against the run, wield their infamous "big stick".

ing defense, with a 100.4 yards per game average and fourth in the MAC in overall defense at 347.6 ypg.

"We have to rely on our defense and our special teams," Blackney said. "That is probably the first time our special teams has broken down."

Sahm struggling

Sophomore quarterback Andy Sahm has also struggled recently. He has had some trouble reading the defense but is still young in his first full year as a starter, according to Blackney.

"Andy is a young guy," he said. "We've got people open and

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BG falls in MAC final

By Erik Cassano
STAFF WRITER

A tremendous postseason run came to an end for the BG women's soccer team as they were downed by Miami 1-0 in double overtime in the Mid-American Conference tournament final at Buffalo.

The RedHawks advanced to the NCAA tournament at 11:57 of the match, when Danielle Berkemeier took a cross pass and kicked it past Falcon sophomore goalie Erika Flanders. Flanders had made 10 saves in the match, including several cliffhangers, before finally having one get past. Miami will play Michigan in the first round tomorrow.

The Falcons had to play the game without two of their biggest cogs when senior Ashley Enser suffered a concussion in the quarterfinal match at Eastern Michigan last Wednesday and missed the entire weekend. According to coach Andy Richards, she might have been able to play had the Falcons reached the NCAA's.

Another Falcon was lost with seven seconds to go in the semi-final match when BG's leading regular season scorer, sophomore Jill Conover, broke both bones in her lower left leg. She will be in a cast for the next eight to nine weeks, but is expected to make a full recovery in time for the start of next season.

"[Enser] was desperately disappointed," Richards said. "She had played in every single game

as far as BG women's soccer is concerned." Prior to the injury, Enser had started all 76 matches in the history of the program. Enser did receive some good news though, when she and teammate Beth Wechsler were named to the 2000 All-MAC second team last week.

BG got to the MAC final by defeating Western Michigan in the semifinals 2-1 on Friday. Sophomore Susan Wallace, helping to fill the space vacated by the injured Enser, came off the bench and broke a 1-1 tie at 75:11 on what Richards described as a "back-post flying header" on the Falcons' web site.

BG scored first in the match when sophomore Tracy Gleixner drew nylon at 33:36 in the first half, the assist going to senior Janice Mentrup, her school-record 23rd and final as a Falcon. Western Michigan knotted the match at 40:45, as freshman Kate Koscielniak got her first collegiate points at a very opportune time for the Broncos.

"A very exciting weekend, a bittersweet finish," Richards said. "We did play very well against Miami, did have some chances perhaps to win the game in overtime, unfortunately came within a whisker of going to the NCAA's."

Richards is pleased with his team's performance in his first year as coach. Picked to finish eighth in the MAC preseason poll, they wound up seventh at the end of conference play at 5-

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Swimmers lose two at EMU

By Erica Gambaccini
STAFF WRITER

Coming off a bye week, the Falcons' swimming and diving team struggled in Ypsilanti, Mich. where they faced a double loss at the dual meet.

BG men's and women's swimming and diving head coach Randy Julian said early last week that Eastern is tough to beat at home because they defend their pool very well.

Both the men's and the women's team lost to Toledo as well as Eastern.

Men

The men's swimming and diving team lost their first two meets

of the 2000-2001 season.

The Eagles beat BG with a score of 232-49, while the Falcons did a little better against the Rockets, 181-100.

Eastern took control of the meet by placing first in all of the races, including the relays.

One of the top events for the Brown and Orange was the 400-yard medley relay team who placed third in a time of 3:31.79. Members of the relay team were senior Bill Roehl, sophomore Ray Bartel, junior Kevin Anderson and senior Andy Jenkins.

"Our medley looked really good," Jenkins said. "It was the fastest our 400 relay team has

been at the beginning of the season."

The best individual swimmers for the Falcons were Roehl and Jenkins.

Roehl placed third in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 1:57.04.

Jenkins swam the 50-yard freestyle in 21.71 putting him in third place.

Women

The women's swimming and diving team also faced some tough competition on Saturday losing their first two meets of the season.

The Eagles defeated the Falcons with a score of 219-81,

whereas the Rockets had two more points beating the Brown and Orange in a score of 221-79.

Eastern dominated the meet and they placed first in nearly every race, falling to Toledo in only three races.

Sophomore Kelley O'Hara led the way for the Falcons, placing second in the 200-yard backstroke in a time of 2:11.49.

Freshman Jessie Humes had a great meet. She placed third in two races. Humes swam the 1000-yard freestyle in a time of 10:45.38. She also swam the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 5:17.41.

Seniors recall their memories

By Derek McCord
STAFF WRITER

The senior members of the men's soccer squad-- Gene Braxton, Fred Degand, Matt Lyons, Zac Olson, Tommy Thomas and Adam Erhard--have accomplished a lot in their four years at Bowling Green. They have won MAC championships, winning various tournaments and making it to the Sweet-16 of the NCAA Tournament.

"From a soccer standpoint we accomplished everything," Kraft said. "From MAC Tournament and regular season champs and making it to the NCAA Tournament where we made it to the Sweet-16. We have not accomplished all that we could have, but pretty close."

Even though they are heading to the MAC Tournament finals after winning the conference regular season title, the season did not start off well for the Falcons, where at one point in the season they were 3-6.

"The thing that makes me most proud this year is after the loss against NIU, the team took it upon ourselves to recommit and get the job done," Braxton said. "I think that we have done that for the most part. It's one thing to say something, but it is another thing to back it up. We have been saying things for the last three years to change things and never really got it done until this year."

The Falcons made it to the Sweet-16 round of the NCAA Tournament in 1997 when they defeated Marquette 1-0, only to lose to the Hoosiers of Indiana 4-0 in the second round.

But with graduation comes change. The seniors feel that throughout the four years they have been together the friendships between them have grown to an incredible height and it is the thing that each of them will miss the most.

"Walking off of the field with my teammates is what I am going to miss the most," Lyons said. "The friendships are the most important thing."

Adam Erhard, who transferred from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, did not have that camaraderie at his former school as he does at BG.

"I came from the University of Wisconsin-Madison soccer team who never really hung out the way we do here," Erhard said. "It's really a family-like setting because everybody gets along and goes out. If there is a problem on the field it's left on the field."

When you play collegiate athletics there are memories that one remembers, and whether bad or good they are always lasting.

Degand's story is one that includes him scoring the match-winning goal against

Akron in the MAC finals in 1997 off a corner kick by Chris Dore, but his story does not stop there.

The following match was against Colgate with the right to go to the NCAA Tournament on the line.

"There was snow on the field and it was freezing," Degand recalls. "I went up for a header against a big guy and we collided, cutting open my right eye. To close it I had to get a staple gun shot over the cut during half-time and played the second half."

The Falcons won the match 2-0.

Another moment the class recalls is the match against Kentucky this season. The match was not a friendly affair, as Kentucky played rougher than they should have.

Fifth year senior Olson probably had the worst experience, as he would sustain a broken leg during the match.

"It was against Kentucky, two minutes into the game a guy came up behind me and cleated me in the back of the leg and broke it," Olson said. "I am disappointed a little bit, but I think that we are going to go far enough that I can play again."

Degand also had an experience with Kentucky, but by words not by force.

"Kentucky head coach Andy Collins told me to f-off when we lost to Kentucky just because I was cheering for my team," Degand stated. "I do not think that was very graceful on his part. I do not blame the players. I feel that the players play as they are told to by the coach. I am friends with a lot of the guys on the team and I do not have hard feelings against them. I just do not think that soccer should not be played the way Andy Collins is playing the game. That is unacceptable."

Other experiences by the players were not as negative. Kraft's first touch in a collegiate game resulted in an assist. Olson scored two goals against Michigan State his freshman year, which was special to him because he lived only 10 minutes from the Spartan campus. Braxton, who transferred from the University of South Carolina-Spartanburg, scored his first goal as a Falcon his sophomore year against SMU, who was ranked six in the nation.

In addition to all their memories, the soccer team thanks the women's soccer team for their support.

"They always come to our games, but with some of our practices being at the same time as their games, we are not able to go to all of their games, unfortunately," Degand said.

BG ended the 2000 regular season with an 8-7-1 record.

BG defense 18th in nation vs. run

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we're not making the right reads and we're not getting the ball there."

Sahm completed 12 of 22 passes for 123 yards with one touchdown and three interceptions Saturday against the Herd. Sahm ranks eighth in the MAC in passing yards per game average with 149.3.

"We haven't been very productive offensively, that's a no-brainer. All you got to do is look at the stats."

GARY BLACKNEY, HEAD COACH

"Andy's been hit a lot," Blackney said. "He's tired, it's his first full season he's had. He is only a sophomore. Last year, he was part time. I think the wear and tear is taking a toll on him. Sometimes, he's holding the ball too long."

"When you win, you win as a team," Blackney said. "When you lose, you lose as a team. It's not any one person. The defense only gave up one touchdown. If all we

can score is 13 points, we have to hold them to 12. If the defense gives up 40 points, we should score 41."

MAC Notes

Falcon receiver David Bautista ranks third in the MAC in catches per game with 6.11 and fourth in receiving yards per game with a 76.6 ypg average.

His 6.11 average ranks him 19th in the nation.

Volleyball finishes home schedule

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son if they win their final five games. The Falcons have won seven of their last eight games after getting off to a 2-5 start in the MAC.

"This is another match that can lead up to our goal of 20 wins," Van De Walle said. "Hopefully the Oakland match can get us that much closer to that goal."

Much of the teams success has come since Van De Walle made a lineup change, moving Kristin Gamby to middle-hitter and Papageorgiou to right-side.

Gamby only had 20 career kills when Van De Walle entered her into the line up. Eight games later, she has totaled 126 kills, hit .389 and averaged 4.34 kills per game.

Oakland ties

Two years ago when Oakland came to Anderson Arena, Shyann Robinson and Caty Rommeck were doing everything in their power to upend the Falcons. The two players combined for 20 kills and four blocks, but were defeated by BG in three sets.

The two former Golden Grizzly players traded uniforms at the end of their freshman campaign

and came to BG and now hold major roles for Van De Walle's squad. Last season, the Falcons went up to Oakland and won in commanding fashion in three sets with the services of the former players.

"Last year was super intense," Robinson said. "It was going back home and smelling the old smells. It will be a lot of fun. I still know some of the girls on the team."

Will the records fall?

If freshman left-side hitter Susie Norris continues to hold

onto her 4.23 digs per game average, she will break the Falcon single season record for digs per game set by Jo Lynn William (3.80) in 1987. Norris only needs 75 more digs to tie the school record for digs in a season.

Rommeck is also breathing down the neck of many blocking records. Rommeck is currently in 11th place and moving up for season records in solo blocks and block assists. Her 1.49 blocks per game is good enough to put her in third place all-time.

Ex-UM coach Moeller takes over in Detroit

By Larry Lage
AP SPORTS WRITER

PONTIAC, Mich. — Gary Moeller will not be much like Bobby Ross.

Just like he wasn't very similar to the last head coach he succeeded — Bo Schembechler.

The Detroit Lions asked Moeller to replace Ross, who resigned Monday citing burnout.

Moeller replaced Schembechler at Michigan after his retirement and was 44-13-3 with three Big Ten championships from 1990-1994.

Moeller likes to smile and throw the football. Ross and Schembechler didn't smile much and preferred to run the football.

"My personality is probably going to be a little different than his," Moeller said, referring to Ross. "Like I just told the team, we will be changing some things because I am not the same guy."

One change will not be at quarterback, where Charlie Batch has struggled this season. Moeller said he will stick with Batch, who he said needs to get his confi-

dence back.

Detroit (5-4) has lost two in a row, but still has a chance to earn a berth in the playoffs. The Lions play host to Atlanta on Sunday.

Moeller asked for a multiyear contract and was granted one so that he would be respected by his players and assistants.

"There are a lot of pressures with this job, but we want the challenge and the opportunity," Moeller said. "Everyone wants to be that guy and do those things, and I'm very fortunate now because I've been a head coach."

Jim Brandstatter, a former Michigan lineman who is an analyst for Lions' radio broadcasts, expects Moeller to eventually make some interesting changes.

"He replaced Bo's running attack with a no-huddle offense in his first year," Brandstatter said. "He's a coaching junkie, who is an exciting and innovative coach. You can't have a coach who will care about winning more than Gary Moeller."

Seattle's Sasaki wins AL Rookie of the Year award

By Ronald Blum
AP SPORTS WRITER

NEW YORK — Kazuhiro Sasaki woke up in Japan and found out he had become the second-oldest rookie of the year in baseball history.

"I did not think I was going to receive this award because I did play in Japan for 10 years," the Seattle Mariners reliever said after winning the American League award, overwhelmingly defeating outfielders Terrence Long of Oakland and Mark Quinn of Kansas City in voting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Sasaki, a 32-year-old right-hander, was Japan's career saves leader with 229 before signing with the Mariners as a free agent last December. He had 37 saves in 40 chances this year as the Mariners won the AL's wild-card berth.

He received 17 first-place votes, five seconds and four thirds for 104 points in voting released Monday. For Sasaki, in Fukuoka, Japan, with a major league All-Star team, it was

already Tuesday.

"My ultimate goal is to win the World Series," he said through an interpreter.

Long, who hit .288 with 18 homers and 80 RBIs as Oakland edged Seattle for the AL West title, was second with 83 points, getting seven firsts, 15 seconds and three thirds. Quinn, who batted .294 with 20 homers and 78 RBIs, was third with 56 points, getting four firsts, eight seconds and 12 thirds. No other player received more than three points.

"I think they're both great players," Sasaki said. "I was able to face Terrence Long and he did a great job against me."

The only older player than Sasaki to win a rookie award was former Negro leagues star Sam Jethroe, who was 33 days older in 1950, when he won the NL honor playing for the Boston Braves.

Sasaki becomes the second Japanese player to win a rookie award in the majors: Hideo Nomo won the 1995 NL award for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

BG season ends

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3-1, but pulled off two upsets to get to the MAC final.

Richards said that the team answered all the challenges that were placed in front of them, and he can't remember hearing a player complain about being asked to do something.

Despite some of the streaki-

ness the team displayed in its won-loss record, and a "best of times, worst of times" feeling that made the season a roller-coaster ride, Richards enjoyed it immensely.

"The whole season's been fun," Richards said. "From my point of view, it's the best season I've ever had."

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